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MEMORANDUM TO: []

FROM: []

SUBJECT: HTGRUBHY Monthly Report, 15 May to 15 June 1953

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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
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1. Program Content

Among the topics stressed this period were the following: the deception of the Soviet Peace Campaign, President Eisenhower's speeches, the possibility of a peace in Korea which was interpreted as meaning that the power of the free world could now be concentrated more in the Mediterranean. Stress was and continues to be laid on the disturbances in Czechoslovakia. Refutation was made of the Tirane propaganda connected with such events as the third Congress of Consumers Cooperatives, the Congress of Permet, Friendship Week with Bulgaria, Children's Day, Volunteer Workers, and Rrapo Dervishi's address to "Stakhanovist Workers." Apple's message concerning the new drive by the Communist regime to recruit forced labor for the Mati hydroelectric plant after appeals for "volunteers" had failed was immediately used by HTGRUBHY in a forceful talk protesting the slavery imposed by the agents of Moscow. This marked the first time that information supplied by a team still within Albania was used over HTGRUBHY. Another innovation was the warning to Soviets in Albania in the Russian language which was translated and recorded by Headquarters. For usual, several appeals were made to various groups within Albania. A number of previously transmitted talks on human rights and other subjects were repeated during this period, both because of the personnel shortage and because the improved seasonal atmospheric conditions and transmitting facilities has considerably improved the receptivity in Albania as compared to this past winter season when these talks were originally transmitted and when reception in Albania of HTGRUBHY was poor.

2. Transmission

Two improvements were made this period by the transmitting station which will undoubtedly serve both to make HTGRUBHY more easily audible and more convenient to hear. These improvements were the use of the powerful transmitters for all HTGRUBHY broadcasts and the addition of two more transmissions at 2030 GMT, thus increasing the number of daily broadcasts to eight. Just as in the past two months, HTGRUBHY continues to broadcast seven days a week because the staff is of the opinion the advantage of creating a sense of reliability in HTGRUBHY as something the Albanian populace can count on to come through offsets the possible disadvantage of giving another clue that HTGRUBHY is not operating within the country under dangerous and tenuous conditions.

3. Reception and Effect

No monitoring reports were received from Bari during this period possibly because of [] absence. However, [] as notified [] that both

the communications technicians

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the communications technicians as well as the HTORUBBY staff are eager to obtain weekly monitoring reports since the transmitters are still being adjusted for maximum external reception. No word has yet been received from Apple concerning the effect and reception of HTORUBBY within Albania. As previously reported on 27 May, Radio Tirane attacked "servile voices of the Anglo-Americans who claim human rights are respected in the free world", and since HTORUBBY was repeating some of the talks on "human rights", the staff here assumed that Tirane had HTORUBBY in mind. Radio Tirane, however, has not yet followed up its attack or given other signs that HTORUBBY is being heard.

4. Personnel

The morale of the staff rose from an all-time low to a new time high during this period as a result of the decision by the station administration section to consider the salaries of the HTORUBBY staff as being in that class of contract agents whose pay is geared to the dollar. The staff is frankly more than satisfied. But an even greater morale boost came from the return of RNERANDY, Identity (1), and RNDIGEST from Syros to QKDIMPLE at KURARK'S intervention with the Greek authorities. In addition, the agitation of [] and [] over what they felt was "gross discrimination" against their party as indicated in the "Aide Memoire" was alleviated by [] assurance that American policy was definitely to treat all parties on an equal basis and that any justifiable complaints would be investigated. However, he cautioned them that concrete evidence must be produced for any accusation, and that one group must not accuse others of misbehavior, if their own record showed irregularities.

RNADUANA is still under the doctor's care and can perform only very limited duties. He has informed [] that his party headquarters in Rome learned of his serious illness and has appointed AIRLESS as head of Legalitet in Athens for the time being.

[] operation has been successful and he is expected to resume his work in about a week or two.

Loring has taken over [] welfare activities, whereas [] and AIRLESS will handle relations between the Greek authorities and N.C.F.A.

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25 June 53

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